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Summary

PURPOSE:

To acknowledge DOD completion of the first phase of the tactical/national intelligence interface.

BACKGROUND:

The JCS-produced listing of non-CDIP intelligence-related elements provided by Mr. Clements completes the first step of the tactical/national intelligence interface study. This response to DOD marks the completion of the first phase, indicates continued cooperation on presentations to Congress, and outlines the nature of the second phase of the study.

This letter has been coordinated with ASD(I) and JCS. Working level meetings on terms of reference for the second phase are ongoing.

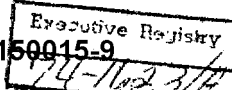
I have also attached the basic approach already coordinated with JCS.

RECOMMENDATION:

The DCI sign the attached letter.

Lieutenant General, USA
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Honorable James R. Schlesinger
Secretary of Defense
The Pentagon
Washington, D. C. 20301

Dear Jim:

Bill Clements' memorandum of 21 May 1974, broadly identifying the types of non-CDIP assets that are to be considered, completes the first phase of our examination of the tactical/national intelligence interface. We have made an important first step in arranging the maximum possible mutual support for tactical/national intelligence interface.

I agree with Bill that presentations to Congress on intelligence-related resources whose primary purpose is tactical support should be made in the context of DOD force structure requests. I have been pleased with Al Hall's support in working up my National Foreign Intelligence Program Budget Recommendations and expect our cooperative effort to continue.

Moving on in the substantive aspects of the endeavor, Danny Graham has discussed with Al Hall and coordinated with the JCS representative a proposal for the following phase of the study. Briefly, I believe that we should first identify in depth the essential information needs of the SIOP-tasked and other commands, and the national intelligence assets that could contribute to their satisfaction. The results of this inquiry would be considered jointly to formulate specific recommendations. We should then turn to the capability of non-CDIP units and activities, in the context of their mission assignments, to contribute to national intelligence. This step would also result in specific recommendations for our consideration. We will, of course, create a data base to simplify future reviews of tactical/national intelligence relationships.

I think we should begin this next phase with a limited pilot study to size the problem and develop procedures, and to gain insight into the payoffs that are possible.

I will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

W. E. Colby

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